of the Lakshmi Commercial Bank Limited, New Delhi with Canara Bank. Weighing all relevant factors, it has been decided to merge the Bank with Canara bank.

Payments of debts to NIC by NCCF

2460. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that th? NCCF (National Consumers Cooperative Fede-J ation) and its various constituents h.ive not been properly paying back lis debts to the N»tkmal Textile Corporate 1 Limited and its various subsidiaries agains: the supply bills;

(b) if so, what are the detail thereof;

(c) what is the total amount of outstanding dues payable by the National Consumers Cooperative Federation to National Textile Corporation Limited and its subsidiaries alongwith the details of money payable by other constituents of Ihe National Consumers Cooperative Federation; and

(d) what action is proposed to be taken hy Government to settle toe matter between the two organisations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINTSTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) to (c) The total outstanding due* payable by NCCF to NTC| Subsidiaries against the supply of controlled cloth as on 15-7-1985, as per the account books maintained by NTC ars given below:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

1. Basic ex-mill price (above 30 days) . .	602.45
2. Subsidy amount (withheld for period prior to 16-7-83) .	34.8 o5
3. Interest and other amount .	116.85
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(d) Instructions have been issued for fettling these dues immediately. Curently the reconsiliation of accounts whore necessary is being carried out by the two wga-nisations.

Mass recruitment in NTC (WBABO)

2461. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to si

(a) what progress has since b;;:; made regarding the inquiry into the questkmof mass recruitment by the present Hoard of Directors of the National Textile Corporation (WBABO) Limited. Calcuuu luring the period from July 1984 to November, 1984;

(b) whether it is a fact that Chief Managing director and Director (Personnel) have been involved in the matter; and

(c) if so, what action is being tiorAJS^d to be taken by Government to crnnsB the Board of Directors immediately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE CF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) to (c) The trainess have since been 'disengaged' and two 'ficers have been placed under suspension. Enquiry and investigation is proceedieg.

Proposa) for partial closure of 1H80O, Burnpur

2462. SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINIiS AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propo-; to close partially IISCO. Burnpur:

(b) if so, what are the reason- fol the same; and

(c) the extent to which it will affect the labour force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRE K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) <o (c) IISCO has been incurring heavy losses in the